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SUBJ: DETAINED THAI MILITARY ATTACHES

- 1. MFA UNDER-SECRETARY PHAEN WANNAMETHI OPENED A MEETING WITH ME TODAY WITH A RUNDOW ON THAI/LAO RELATIONS AND THE AFFAIR OF THE DETAINED MILITARY ATTACHES.
- 2. PHAEN SAID THAT THAILAND WISHED TO HAVE AS GOOD RELATIONS AS POSSIBLE WITH LAOS AND WAS SEEKING TO AVOID AGGRAVATING THE CURRENT SITUATION. HE CONFIDED THAT THE FACT THE ATTACHES HAD BEEN ARRESTED IN THEIR SKIVVIES AND HAD NOT BEEN ALLOWED TO PUT ON THEIR CLOTHES BEFORE BEING HAULED AWAY AND THE FACT THAT THEY HAD BEEN HANDCUFFED BY THE LAO AUTHORITIES WERE BEING WITHHELD FROM THE PUBLIC. PHAEN SAID THAT THE RTG DID NOT WISH TO INFLAME THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND HAD TAKEN ONLY WHAT IT CONSIDERED TO BE NORMAL RETALIATORY STEPS.
- 3. PHAEN SAID THAT THE TRG HAD SOUGHT EARLY MEETINGS OF EITHER THE MIXED COMMISSION ON THAI/LAO RELATIONS AND/OR A MEETING OF THE BORDER CONTROL COMMISSION BUT HAD HAD NO REPLIES FROM THE PGNU. THE RTG IS NOW WAITING TO SEE WHAT NEXT STEP THE LAO MAY TAKE.

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